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SUBJECT: CASE OF INAYAT ALI SHAH: SENATOR DOMENICI
INTERESTED

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SENATOR PETER DOMENICI HAS ASKED FOR INFORMATION ON DETENTION OF PAKISTANI NATIONAL INAYAT ALI SHAH. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION PROVIDED THE SENATOR BY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, SUBJECT IS A RETIRED FARMER FROM LAHORE, ARRESTED IN JANUARY 1981 AND HELD AT RAWALPINDI DISTRICT JAIL. ACCORDING TO AMNESTY, ALI SHAH MAY BE PERMANENTLY SHACKLED, AND HAS NOT SEEN A COPY OF THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM. APPARENTLY, HE WAS ORIGINALLY ACCUSED OF "DIVULGING IMPORTANT SECRETS," BUT AFTER A "FEW MONTHS" THIS WAS CHANGED TO "CONSPIRACY, MURDER, AND ANTI-STATE ACTIVITIES." HE MIGHT BELONG TO THE PPP, AND COULD GO ON TRIAL SOON, POSSIBLY IN CAMERA.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION KNOWLEDGEABLE ADDRESSEES MAY HAVE ON THIS CASE. SHULTZ

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